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Title: PLUG AND PLAY NODE ADDITION IN A DUAL RING
TOPOLOGY NETWORK

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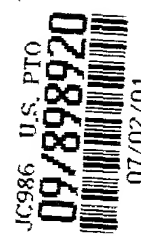
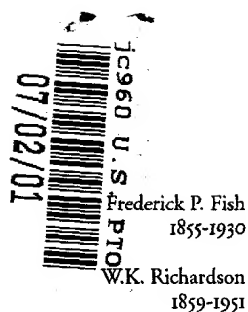
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